Governments/UT Administrations, Ministries/Departments of the Government for the purpose of giving wide publicity. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has been addressed to include the part of the Flag Code of India relating to display of National Flag by members of general public and the conditions attached thereto in the syllabi of the schools, etc.

Modernisation of Police

2200. SHRI LALU PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a scheme of modernisation of police has been sanctioned by the Government of India beginning 2000-01;

(b) whether the funding is on a matching basis (50 per cent GoI-50 per cent State-out of the Central share, half is again in form of loan);

(c) whether in view of financial constraints, the States find it difficult to arrange for the matching amount, resulting in partial utilization of the allotted funds; and

(d) whether the Union Government proposes to change the funding pattern for Bihar to 100 per cent GoI grant as is being done for North Eastern States; if so, by what time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir. Central Government have revised the existing non-plan scheme for modernisation of the State Police Forces and enhanced the Central annual allocation to Rs. 1000 crore for 10 years from 2000-01.

(b) Yes, Sir. The scheme is run on a 50:50 cost sharing basis, out of which 50% share of the Central Government is given as grant-in-aid and the remaining 50% as loan to the States.

(c) Yes, Sir. Some of the State Governments have been expressing their inability to contribute their matching share due to financial constraints.

(d) No, Sir.